

Fact Sheet

Atlantic Provinces

ATLANTIC PROVINCE'S PLACE IN THE CANADIAN ECONOMY

Atlantic Canada is composed of the provinces of New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and Newfoundland & Labrador. This region of Canada is economically diverse and is in transition from a traditional resource-based economy to one based on services and technology. New commercial sectors are focused on an active energy sector, technologies, specialized manufacturing, professional services and telecommunications

QUICK FACTS

GDP (2003)	GDP (US\$)	Per capita (US \$)
Canada	866.9B	\$27,409
Atlantic Canada	73.1B	\$22,251
New Brunswick	16.0B	\$21,261
PEI	2.8B	
Nova Scotia	20.6B	
Newfoundland & Lab.	18.0B	

US Imports (2003)	GDP weighted imports (US B\$)	Per capita (US \$)
Canada	171.2B	\$5,413
Atlantic Canada	10.3B	\$4,394
New Brunswick	3.1B	\$4,199
PEI	0.5B	\$3,973
Nova Scotia	4.0B	\$4,339
Newfoundland & Lab.	2.5B	\$4,888

Population	Provinces (2004) - Cities (2001)	% of Atlantic Population
Canada	31,946,300	
Atlantic Canada	2,343,300	
New Brunswick	751,400	32%
- Saint John	125,705	5%
- Moncton	117,727	5%
- Fredericton	81,346	3%
PEI	137,900	6%
- Charlottetown	58,358	2%
Nova Scotia	937,000	40%
- Halifax	105,968	5%
- Sydney C.B.	105,968	5%
Newfoundland & Lab.	517,000	22%
- St John's	172,918	7%

MAJOR PROJECTS 2005 - 2006

- ◆ Tar Ponds Clean-Up; Sydney N.S.
- ◆ Harbor Clean-Ups:
 - Halifax & Sydney N.S.,
 - St. John N.B., St John's Nfld.
- ◆ New Sewage Treatment Facilities; Halifax N.S.
- ◆ Liquefied Natural Gas Plants moving ahead/planned:
 - St John N.B., Canso, N.S., Goldboro, N.S.
- ◆ Hebron-Offshore Nfld. looks good for development
- ◆ Voisey's Bay Nickel Mine being readied, Newfoundland & Labrador
- ◆ Laurentian Basin Oil/Gas Exploration



TRANSPORTATION LINKS

Land

- ◆ Halifax, NS to Chicago via CN Rail's double-stacking car
- ◆ Numerous US & Canadian trucking companies
- ◆ International couriers, with direct U.S. service
- ◆ New Brunswick has two principal U.S. entry points:
 - Calais, ME - St. Stephen, NB
 - Houlton, ME - Woodstock, NB

Sea

- ◆ Deep Water ice-free Container Ports;
 - Saint John, New Brunswick
 - Halifax, Nova Scotia
- ◆ Halifax is the only east coast port in North America that is capable of handling *post-Panamax vessels*;
 - 2003 container traffic was 13,815,931 metric tonnes
- ◆ 122 cruise ships w/210,000+ passengers visited Halifax in 2004.
- ◆ 20 direct liner service, trans-shipment & feeder services

Air

- ◆ Non-stop flights from Halifax to:
 - Boston (Delta & American)
 - Newark (Continental)
 - JFK (American)
 - Detroit (Northwest)
- ◆ Halifax International Airport processed:
 - 31,000 metric tonnes (2004)
 - 3.25 million passengers approx. (2004)

BREAKING NEWS (UPDATED 08/05)

- ◆ U.S. pre-clearance at Halifax International Airport -10/06
- ◆ Shelburne - Boston ferry likely for '06
- ◆ Port of Halifax attracts direct trade with China